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SUBJ: MAJOR EXPORT PROJECT: CONSTRUCTION OF FERTILIZER WAREHOUSES

1. THE AFGHAN FERTILIZER COMPANY (AFC), AN AFGHAN GOVERNMENT-OWNED CORPORATION, HAS ISSUED A TENDER NOTICE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF 69 FERTILIZER WAREHOUSES WITH A CAPACITY OF 800 METRIC TONS EACH. THE WAREHOUSES ARE DIVIDED INTO FIVE GROUPS, ON THE BASIS OF LOCATION, EACH GROUP CONSISTING OF BETWEEN 9 AND 22 WAREHOUSES. BIDS ARE INVITED ON EACH GROUP SEPARATELY OR FOR THE ENTIRE 69 WAREHOUSES.

2. GENERAL CONDITIONS, TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, BUILDING PLANS, AND OTHER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE FOR 1,000 AFGHANIS (APPROXIMATELY US\$18) FROM THE AFGHAN FERTILIZER COMPANY, PO BOX 3206 KABUL, AFGHANISTAN. COMPANIES SUBMITTING BIDS ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE A DEPOSIT OF 50,000 AFGHANIS (APPROXIMATELY \$900) REFUNDABLE AFTER THE CONTRACT AWARDS. THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF SEALED BIDS BY THE AFC IS 2 PM, JUNE 13, 1976.

3. THIS PROJECT WILL BE FINANCED FROM AN IBRD CREDIT TO THE AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AFGHANISTAN.

COMMENT: IT SEEMS PROBABLE THAT, DUE TO THE DISPERSEMENT IN LOCATION AND THE SMALL SIZE OF INDIVIDUAL WAREHOUSES, LOCAL (AFGHAN) CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES WILL HAVE AN ADVANTAGE IN BIDDING FOR CONTRACTS. HOWEVER, THERE MAY BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR AMERICAN COMPANIES TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY, SUPPLIES, AND ENGINEERING

AND CONSULTING SERVICES. END COMMENT.

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